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DATA REWRITING APPARATUS, CONTROL METHOD,

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to the initial examination of the above-identified application, which is a division of application 09/693,125 filed October 20, 2000, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure by rewriting same to read as follows:

--A recording medium for rewriting the data stored in a nonvolatile memory limited in rewriting, provided in the apparatus, through the use of a program for executing an update supplied from a detachable recording medium and data used in updating.--